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Dear Marty:

In going over my old mail -- I have had quite a pile up in the aftermath of sudden trips -- I found that I had not yet responded to your letters of August and September about the nomination of Dennis Watson for the Regents Professor.

I have enjoyed the recollection of Dennis as a good friend during the time we were at Wisconsin together; however, I have to say that I have rather lost touch with his scientific work since 1959. Is there still some point to my writing a letter? If so, please just send me a brief bibliographic resume. Then, I could write a far more persuasive letter than if I simply relied upon positive sentiments. I suspect there really will be no problem about your getting him through even without this help, but if the matter is not yet moot, by all means please let me know.

Sorry for all this delay.

Yours sincerely,

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